Introduced by Senator Torlakson

February 18, 2005

An act to amend Section 51222 of the Education Code, relating to physical education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Physical education: SB 559, as introduced, Torlakson, participation.

Existing law requires a pupil in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, to attend physical education courses for no less than 400 minutes each 10 schooldays.

This bill would define a physical education class as one in which each pupil is required to actively participate.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 51222 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- 51222. (a) All pupils A pupil, except pupils a pupil excused
- 4 or exempted pursuant to Section 51241, shall be required to
- attend upon the courses of a physical education class for a total period of time of not less than 400 minutes each 10 schooldays.
- Any A physical education class is one in which each pupil is
- required to actively participate. A pupil may be excused from
- physical education classes during one of grades 10, 11, or 12 for
- not to exceed 24 clock hours in order to participate in automobile
- driver training. Such A pupil who is excused from a physical
- education-classes class to enroll in driver training shall attend

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1 upon a minimum of 7,000 minutes of physical education 2 instruction during such the school year.

(b) The governing board of—each a school district that maintains a high school and that elects to exempt—pupils a pupil from required attendance in physical education courses pursuant to—paragraph (1) or (2) or both of subdivision (b) of Section 51241 shall offer-those pupils so exempted that pupil a variety of elective physical education—courses classes of not less than 400